

## N. SCHOOL "AT HOME" TO FRIENDS

Principal Black and Assistants Keep "Open House" to Patrons and Many Visitors Attend Classes, Viewing Work of Children

## PROGRESS OF PUPILS SHOWN BY EXHIBITS

Maps, Drawings, Specimens of Weaving and Other Branches are Displayed in Profusion; No Corporal Punishment During Year

Principal Black, and his corps of assistants, held open house at the North school yesterday afternoon. During the entire afternoon the class rooms were thrown open to the patrons and friends of the school and every one of the many visitors was accorded a warm welcome by both the instructors and the children.

No program was rendered during the afternoon, but the time was devoted, in part, to the regular class work. This was done in order that the patrons of the school might be afforded the opportunity of seeing and hearing their children in their classrooms in order that they could judge, first hand, the progress they were making, all of them, from the tots in the primary departments to the more advanced boys and girls in the higher grades.

Following the recitations of the several classes in the different rooms, the pupils were dismissed and given the freedom of the building and the grounds, while the patrons and their friends were escorted from one room to another on a trip of inspection of the work of the North school pupils, on exhibition in each room. These exhibits were most interesting and showed conclusively that the teachers of the North school, like the teachers of the other schools in Chickasha and Grady county, are experts in the art of developing the minds of the boys and girls of today and fitting them to become the men and women of tomorrow.

The exhibits in the main consisted of free-hand drawings; maps, done in relief; maps of the different countries of the world, executed in free hand; maps, numberless almost, of Oklahoma, done in both free-hand and relief work; silhouettes; drawings of different species of birds and drawings of different animals, all colored true to life; exercises in arithmetic, in composition, in grammar and composition, in geography; samples of woven and basket work; of mat weaving; articles on different themes of composition, each theme calculated to show the students' attention to literary detail and rhetorical finish.

The graphophones, purchased by the pupils with the proceeds in part of the sale of the products of their skill, furnished beautiful music to the visitors and was greatly enjoyed by all present—visitors and pupils.

Space will not admit of the detailed description of the afternoon, given over by Principal Black to the patrons of the North school. It is safe to state, however, that all who attended the "open house" yesterday were well pleased with the progress shown to have been made by the pupils.

Tardies, according to the reports, have been few and far between in all departments of the school. In the seventh grade, taught by Principal Black, there was not a single tardy.

The teachers in the North school follow: Seventh grade, E. S. Black, principal; sixth grade, "A," and seventh grade, "B," Miss Levia Meyers; fifth grade, "A," and sixth grade, "B," Mrs. Julia Walters; fifth grade, "B," Miss Margaret Rossington; fourth grade, "A," Miss Nell Brazendine; fourth grade, "B," Miss Jessie Kelsey; third grade, "A," Miss D. A. He Ray; third grade, "B," Mrs. G. E. Fyle; second grade, Miss Kate Lackey; primary, Mrs. J. H. White.

Average attendance, entire school, for year, approximately 500. Cases corporal punishment, entire school, for year, none.

R. Buntin will be a member of a fishing party which leaves for Medicine Park tomorrow.

## ASKING AID FOR ORPHAN HOME

M. E. Harris, manager for the Cornish Orphans' Home, is in the city for a few days taking up his regular annual collection for the support of the home. The home is supported entirely by voluntary contributions, and in regard to the donations, Mr. Harris said:

"The people of Chickasha have always been liberal but this year they are more generous than ever before." Dr. Corbin, the vice president, and C. Schlotterbeck, the treasurer, have expressed themselves as being well pleased at the success of the institution, according to Mr. Harris.

Although the home is a private one, children are taken from all over the state and there are five from Chickasha there now. Mr. Harris stated that an average of 100 children were placed in good homes each year from the Cornish orphanage. The children in the home number from 20 to 60 at different times. At present there are twenty-five being cared for there.

## TIME RIPE FOR PEACE OVERTURE?

By United Press.  
Washington, May 6.—Monsieur Bonzano, the papal delegate, called at the White House today on a secret mission, which is believed to have been in the interests of peace. He conferred with Secretary Lansing, not with the president.

Allusions to peace in certain paragraphs of the German reply are regarded as significant by some who believe the time is ripe for tentative peace suggestions.

See Peace Harbinger.  
By United Press.  
Berlin, May 6.—Americans here see a harbinger of peace in the German note to America, believing that President Wilson has an opportunity to end the war. It is suggested that the time is propitious for Col. House to again visit the European capitals.

## COLLEGE TO CLOSE SOON

The last recital from the fine arts department of the O. C. W. will be given next Friday evening in the college auditorium. The commencement sermon will be given at 8:30, May 21st, by Dr. Van Horn of the First Christian church of Oklahoma City, in the college auditorium.

On the evening of May 24 the fine arts department will give a program and May 25 the Preparatory school will give their exercises. The commencement exercises will be given on the evening of May 26. The main address will be given by Dr. Phelan of the Oklahoma University.

## MEDICAL SOCIETY OF COUNTY IN SESSION

Grady County Medical society met last evening in regular monthly business session, with Dr. Leeds, president, presiding and Dr. Martha Bledsoe, secretary, in charge of the rolls. A fairly large attendance was present.

Dr. Downey read an interesting paper upon tuberculosis and a general discussion followed. Dr. Cook, of Chickasha, and Dr. Martin, of Pecos, were chosen as delegates to the meeting of the state medical association in Oklahoma City next week.

# VILLISTAS ROUTED IN SURPRISE ATTACK

## SCOTT AND OBREGON TO SIGN PACT

Delay Attributed to Garbled Dispatches but Carranza May Have Waited to See Effect of German Note on Situation

By United Press.  
Advanced Base of Expedition in Mexico, via wireless to Columbus, N. M., May 6.—Major Howze's Eleventh cavalry, consisting of two hundred and forty-two men, killed at least forty-two Villistas in surprise attack on a force of one hundred and fifty Mexicans at Ojo Azules, eighteen miles south of Cuahuahachic yesterday.

The Villistas who survived the first onslaught of the attacking party were routed and fled to the hills, with the American troops pursuing individual Mexicans. Not a single American soldier was killed.

The Mexicans that were involved in the fight were the remainder of the force that was routed by the United States troops on April 22 at Tomachic. Generals Dominguez, Angeles and Acosta were in command of them.

Six Carranzista prisoners who were awaiting execution were rescued from the Villistas and five horses and mules were taken.

The attack followed a thirty mile ride of the Americans. The Mexicans were resting when the cavalry launched their attack by firing their pistols. Furious fighting ensued, lasting two hours.

Major Howze's report indicated that many of the Villistas in the engagement were wounded. The Villistas had defeated a Carranzista force a few days ago.

Many Mexicans Wounded.  
By United Press.  
Washington, May 6.—Official dispatches to the war department said many Mexican soldiers must have been wounded in the fight at Ojo Azules. Officials here hoped for the consummation of the agreement with Mexico today, but feared that Carranza would delay the ratification of the pact by again asking for withdrawal. Administration officials, however, believed that Carranza would not insist on this to the point of blocking the settlement.

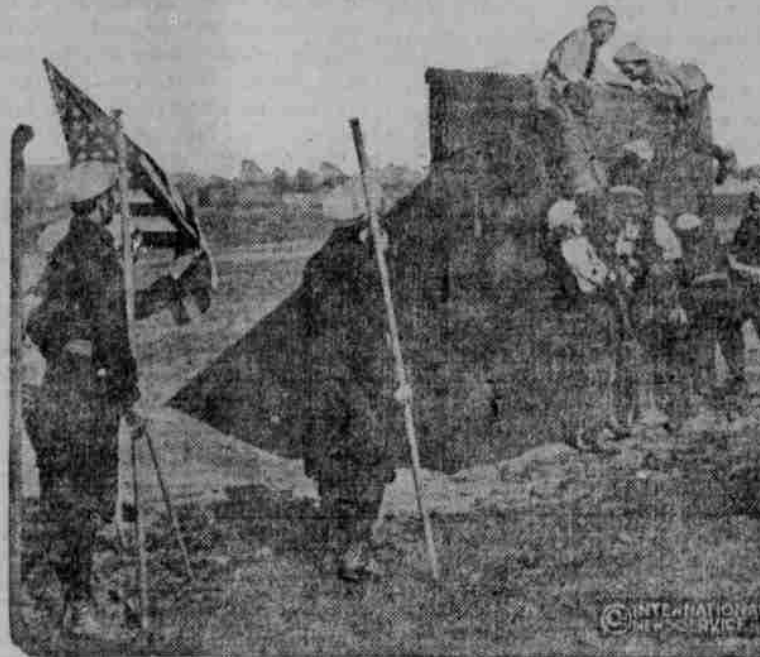
By United Press.  
El Paso, Tex., May 6.—Gen. Scott expects to sign the El Paso agreement with Gen. Obregon today. It is believed that the obstacles in the way of the latter signing have been overcome.

Obregon's hesitancy in signing the agreement yesterday was attributed to the garbled condition of dispatches from Mexico City but officials here frankly believed that Carranza was waiting to see what effect on the situation would be wrought by the German reply to the United States submarine note.

Stories leaked out today to the effect that Obregon was dictatorial in the first meeting with the United States chief of staff and Funston and Scott warned him that the United States would not tolerate anarchy any longer, that if he continued his defiance, the years 1916 and 1917 would be blacker in Mexican history than 1846 and 1847.

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WEATHER FORECAST.  
For Oklahoma.  
Tonight and Sunday, fair warm.  
Local Temperature.  
During 24 hours ending 8 a. m. today:  
Maximum, 88; minimum, 55.  
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## JUNIORS OF THE NAVY LEAGUE DRILLING



The members of the Junior section of the Navy league in New York are as enthusiastic over preparedness as are their elders, and daily, when the weather permits, the youngsters may be seen engaged in their outdoor drill, which includes the regulation army drill and wall-scaling contests.

## SUB ISSUE REGARDED AS CLOSED

Official Text of Note Read by President But No Comment; No Answer May Be Required; Press is Not Pleased

By United Press.  
Washington, May 6.—It is semi-officially stated here that the advisers of President Wilson are regarding the submarine issue between this nation and Germany as closed, following the receipt and the reading by the president of the official text of the German reply to the demands of the United States government.

Officials have stated that the essence of the reply is contained in the paragraph which states that Germany has ordered all submarine attacks to be confined to vessels of war. While there has been no statement issued from the White House, officials are understood to believe that no answer from this country will be necessary.

## Sink Austrian Destroyer.

By United Press.  
Paris, May 6.—A French submarine sank an Austrian destroyer of the latest type, it was announced today.

## Cruiser is Captured.

By United Press.  
Washington, May 6.—Admiral Winslow has reported to the state department, the capture by British cruisers of the Mexican flag ship, the Leonore, was flying the Mexican flag but is alleged to be owned by the German vice consul at Guaymas.

## London Papers Don't Like It.

By United Press.  
London, May 6.—The newspapers here in their editorial utterances agreed that the German note does not meet the demands of the United States and believe that a break between Germany and America is inevitable.

Serious concern was expressed by the papers over Germany's effort to embroil the United States and England by making compliance with the United States' demands conditional on what America may force England to concede.

## American Press Poll.

By United Press.  
New York, May 6.—A poll of 132 representative American newspapers shows that 71 disapprove the German note, 28 approve it, and 33 are non-committal.

## HEAVY FINE IS IMPOSED BY MAYOR

W. Solomon is Soaked for \$260 on Charge of Conducting Pawn-Broker's Business Without License; Appeal is Taken by Defendant

Mayor Coffman, acting as police judge, yesterday afternoon imposed upon W. Solomon a fine of \$260 for conducting a pawnshop in the city of Chickasha without license.

Mayor Coffman stated in assessing the fine that he had found from the testimony given by the witnesses that the defendant was conducting a regular pawn-brokerage business, without license; that he had been doing this for some time; that he had, according to the testimony of witnesses, been guilty of this offense for the past month of 26 working days; that the law allowed him to fine the defendant in a sum of from \$10 to \$25 for each offense; that every day the pawnshop had been conducted by the defendant without a license constituted a separate offense and that he had imposed a fine of \$10 for each offense, making a total of \$260.

Through his attorneys, Riddle and Hammerly, the defendant appealed to the county court, executing bond in the sum of \$500. H. Kohn and William Reinheimer signed as bondsmen.

Mayor Coffman stated further that witnesses had testified that they had when in dire need of money, been in the habit of "selling" articles to the defendant with the understanding that the article might be redeemed, or "bought back" within a stipulated time at an advance of 25 per cent. "An article," said the mayor, "would be sold for, say \$2, and the person 'selling' could come back at any time within 30 days and 'buy back' the article sold by paying the defendant \$2.50."

Mr. Coffman said that he felt he had acted within the bounds of reason in assessing the fine of \$260, and that the laws of the city, sanctioned by the laws of the state, would have admitted of his having made the fine a great deal heavier.

The license for conducting a pawn-brokerage in Chickasha is \$50 per year. Mr. Coffman said that this license should be paid by all who ply that vocation and that others may expect the axe within a short time unless they kick in with the license.

## HENRY FORD IS SUED.

Washington, May 6.—Alleging that Henry Ford published libelous advertisements, the Navy league has filed suit in the district supreme court for \$100,000.

## GUN CLUB HOLDS WEEKLY MEET

The Chickasha Gun club held its regular weekly shoot yesterday afternoon. A good attendance of marksmen were present and some interesting scores were made. At the next meeting of the club, it was announced today, the club will elect officers to serve for the ensuing year.

Yesterday's score follows: Brookshire, shot at 25 birds, hit 24; Neal, shot at 25 birds, hit 23; Simms, shot at 25 birds, hit 18; Burris, shot at 25 birds, hit 17; Bruner, shot at 25 birds, hit 16; Darnell, shot at 25 birds, hit 15; McNeil, shot at 25 birds, hit 14; Evans, shot at 25 birds, hit 11; Parkman, shot at 25 birds, hit 11; Barton, shot at 25 birds, hit 10; Jacobs, shot at 25 birds, hit 20; Livermore, shot at 21 birds, hit 13; Wootton, shot at 20 birds, hit 13; Callahan, shot at 20 birds, hit 9; Doolin, shot at 20 birds, hit 1.

## CELEBRATE BIRTHDAY OF CANNON

By United Press.  
Washington, May 6.—Tomorrow will be Uncle Joe Cannon's eightieth birthday. His political friends and foes in the house of representatives today celebrated the event with an hour of speech-making filled with bouquets and no brickbats.

"Confidentially, I wish they would not have this celebration," the ex-speaker admitted today. "It's too much like bringing flowers to a corpse."

"Uncle Joe" is not the extreme partisan he was of old. That's why men of all parties in the house feel so friendly toward him. Since his "come-back" he has kept out of the limelight.

Uncle Joe still harbors a deep-seated hatred of political reformers. Every time he gets a chance he hits one on the head.

"I suppose," said Uncle Joe, "a reformer has his place. Sometimes I think they get pretty thick. They say their province is to fight with the Almighty; that the Almighty and one are a majority."

"I am not here to abuse them. Nearly all of them are honest, but once in a while one of them is a hypocrite."

In these days of aeroplanes and submarines, Uncle Joe is proud he gave substantial encouragement to Prof. Langley, the American who was jeered when he tried to fly in a heavier-than-air machine. He helped him get an appropriation.

Speaker Clark, Democratic leader of the house, and Gillette of Massachusetts were the speakers. Rodenberg of Illinois was master of ceremonies.

## GRADY COUNTY BAR TO HOLD MEETING

The Grady County Bar association, pursuant to a call of the president, Eugene Hamilton, and the secretary, S. C. Darbin, will meet in Chickasha on May 19. Business of routine nature will be transacted to be followed by the election of officers to serve for the ensuing year.

Broad hints have been noised upon the street corners that interesting matters may materialize at the meeting of the association in the shape of preferment of charges against some one or more members of the association for failure to comply with the requirements of professional ethics.

## DISTRICT COURT GRANTS PLAINTIFF DIVORCE DECREE

Judge Linn, sitting in chambers, disposed of a number of motions and decrees this morning and granted a divorce in the suit of O. C. Atkins vs. Laura Atkins.

In the district court this morning divorce proceedings were filed by Willie Massey vs. C. M. Massey.

Yesterday afternoon Clerk Newman issued a marriage license to T. B. Bennett, aged 24, and Miss Drama Foster, aged 18, both of Duncan. Judge T. P. Moore was called in and performed the marriage ceremony for the couple.

## MILITARY RANK WON BY MERIT

Swiss Army System Thoroughly Democratic; All Citizens Owe Service to Country; "Pull" Counts Nothing in Gaining Promotion

## RICH MAN'S SON ON LEVEL WITH POOREST

Rigid Examinations are Required for Advancement in Rank; Method Shows Up Strongly in Comparison With American Way

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NOTE—This is the fifth of a series of articles by Shepherd dealing with the Swiss system of military training for citizens, in its relation to the possibilities of a similar system in the United States.—Editor.

(By William G. Shepherd, United Press Staff Correspondent.)  
Bern, May 5.—"All Swiss owe their country a military service."

These are the first words in the Swiss military rule book. We haven't any book printed in the United States, available to the masses, that says any such thing.

These words democratize the Swiss army. If the United States were to be forced into war, our regiments would be commanded, in the main, by the young men of our rich families. This happened in the Spanish-American war.

Political pull, based on wealth and influence, placed in the hands of almost any rich young man who cared to assume the responsibility, the lives of some hundreds of good average American citizens.

This couldn't happen in the Swiss army.

When a Swiss soldier goes out to fight, he knows he is under a trained officer, selected by experts and tried.

Just being rich doesn't get you anywhere in the Swiss army. Being rich doesn't keep you out of the army, either. It isn't any training of the Plattsburg camp variety that takes you to the top in the Swiss army. It's brains and ability. The Swiss rule is that everybody must start in the ranks.

As a man shows special adaptability he is FORCED to take special examinations for promotion. He cannot refuse a promotion.

The examinations are rigid; the kind social pull can't overcome. The result is that, whether a youth comes from the poorest or the richest, he must be whatever his ability makes him.

The rich man's son may remain a private all his life while the son of the poorest man in the neighborhood may be his military superior.

Only a democratic army like this, military men in Europe say, is safe and strong. There is rottenness and fatal weakness in an army where social position and wealth avail.

In Chassau, Switzerland, I saw the clerk in Luigi Corti's grocery store step out on the sidewalk in his sergeant's uniform, just as the son of the village banker went by in his automobile. The banker's son saluted Luigi's clerk, because the clerk's uniform indicated that Luigi's clerk was a better man, as a soldier, than the banker's son.

Any country that does want to keep alive and whole must have plenty of citizens who can become full fledged soldiers at a moment's notice.

Looking over the armies of Europe, which I have seen, I am led to believe that the American military system is the worst of them all.

It's a dangerous system, with leadership based on many other things than ability.

It is permeated with politics. From this distance and this place, it looks like a papier mache revolver that will make the other fellow shoot, but that can't be shot itself.

It isn't the fault of our standing army or of our army men. It's the fault of the American citizen, who doesn't realize that he isn't the straightest shooting, finest muscled, best soldier-material in the world.